



FDMS Version 4.3 Release Notes

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Release Summary

The FDMS.gov Beta version 4.3 provides users with additional functionality including the introduction of Batch Processing functionality. The primary changes to FDMS.gov Beta for this release include the following:

- Home Page Updates
- Menu Item Descriptions
- Batch Processing
- Deduplication Enhancements
- Full-Text Searching
- Phase-Sequence Functionality
- Defects Addressed



Home Page Updates

- The FDMS Beta tab was renamed to Home. In addition to the existing data, it will now include:
 - Descriptions of the Menu Item Folders, Announcements, and a Survey where users can provide feedback on their FDMS.gov Beta experience
- The New Features tab will now include:
 - Updated Features Available in this FDMS Beta Version, updated Coming Soon, and Known Issues
- The Training Resources tab will now include:
 - 5 additional CBT videos: Creating Dockets, Creating Documents, Creating Attachments,
 (2) Batch Processing
 - 2 additional QRGs on: Batch Processing and Creating Dockets/Documents/Attachments



Figure 1 – Home Tab



Figure 2 - New Features Tab

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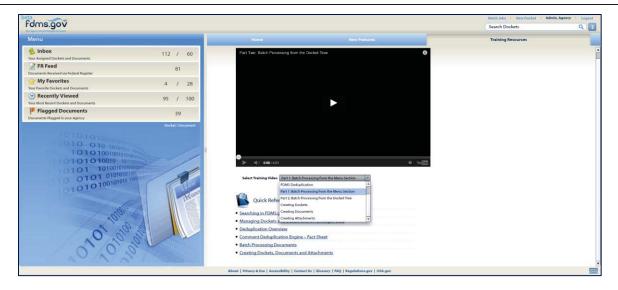


Figure 3 - Training Resources Tab

Menu Item Descriptions

- Description text was added to the Menu Items in order to provide users with more information about what that folder contains
- A summary of the description text will be added by default and users can hover over that text for a more detailed description
- Users can also view the text of the Menu Item Descriptions on the Home Tab

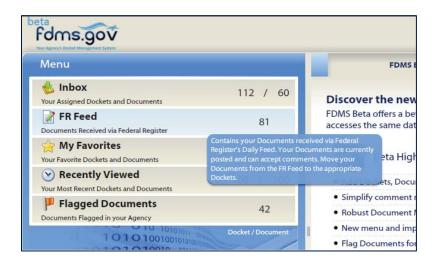


Figure 4 – Menu Descriptions

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Batch Processing

Batch Processing provides users with the ability to complete actions/updates on multiple Documents simultaneously. The options will vary depending on where the user initiates the action from and users will always receive a confirmation message prior to processing. Users will be able to view a list of the recent jobs they initiated through the *Batch Jobs* link.

Batch Processing from Menu Item Folders

- Users can kick off a batch process from any of the Menu Item folders including: Inbox, FR Feed, My Favorites, Recently Viewed, and Flagged Documents
- Users will have the following options for batch processes from the Menu Item Folders: Favorite/Remove from Favorites and Flag/Unflag
- Results will be reflected immediately following the request.
 - Note: Add/Remove from Favorites and Flag/Unflag jobs will not show in the Batch Jobs
 Tree

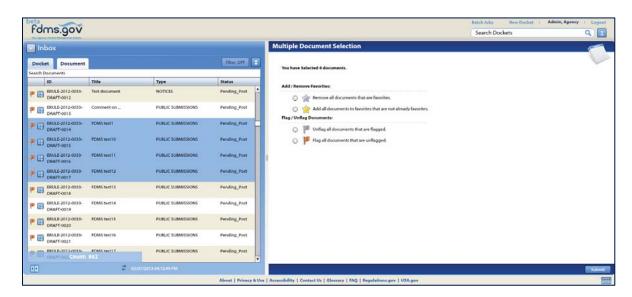


Figure 5 – Batch Process Options from the Menu Item Folders

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Batch Processing from the Search Results

- Users can kick off a batch process from the *Document Search* results
- Users will have the following options for batch processes from the Document Search Results: Favorite/Remove from Favorites and Flag/Unflag
- Results will be reflected immediately following the request.
 - Note: Add/Remove from Favorites and Flag/Unflag jobs will not show in the Batch Jobs Tree

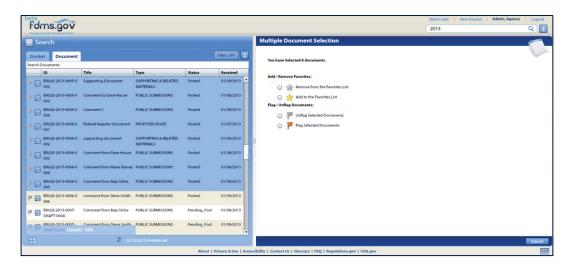


Figure 6 - Batch Process Options from Document Search Results

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Batch Processing from the Docket Tree

- Users can kick off a batch process from the Docket Tree
- Users will have the following options for batch processes from the Docket Tree: Change
 Document Metadata Attributes (Change Status, Change Title), Post, Add/Remove Favorites, and
 Flag/Unflag Documents
- Users will be able to view their job results in the Batch Jobs Tree

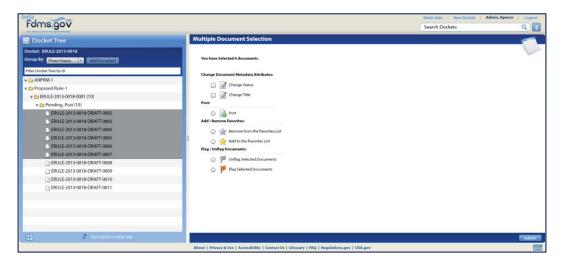


Figure 7 - Batch Process Options from the Docket Tree

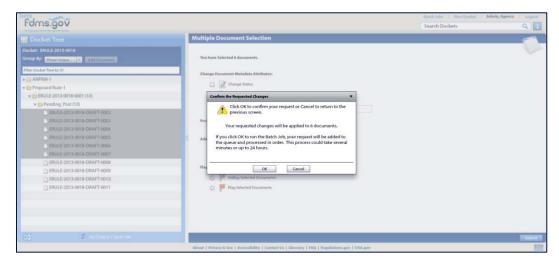


Figure 8 – Batch Process Confirmation Message

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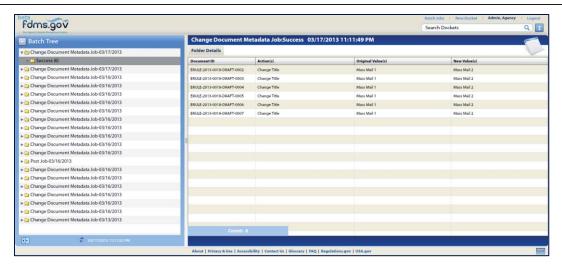


Figure 9 - Batch Jobs Tree



Batch Processing from the Duplicates Tree

- Users can kick off a batch process from the Duplicates Tree
- Users will have the following options for batch processes from the Duplicates Tree: Change Document Metadata Attributes (Change Status, Change Title), Post, Add/Remove Favorites, and Flaq/Unflag Documents.
- Users will be able to view their job results in the Batch Jobs Tree

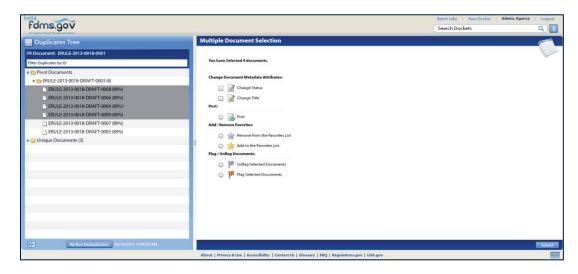


Figure 10 - Batch Process Options from the Duplicates Tree

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Deduplication Enhancements

Expanded Permissions for Running and Viewing Deduplications

- All users with access to the FR Document will be able to view the deduplication results at a minimum. Any deduplication privileges beyond that will be based on the user's role based assignments/permissions.
- A group designated as the assigned Docket Manager or assigned Rule Writer will now have the ability to *run/rerun a deduplication* in addition to *viewing results*.

Ability to Run Deduplication for Other Type Documents

• In addition to *Notices/Proposed Rules/Rules*, users now have the option to run a deduplication on *Other* type Documents

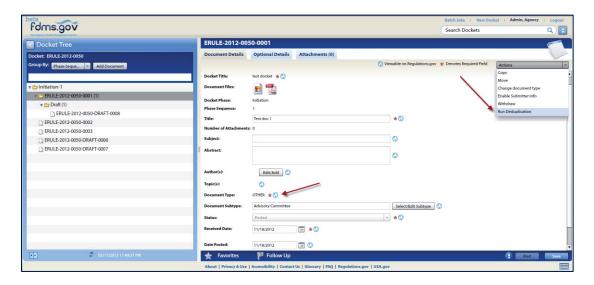


Figure 11 – Run Deduplication for Other Document Type

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Ability to Re-Run Deduplication from Scratch

• Users now have the ability to Re-Run Deduplication from Scratch for any Document that has already had deduplication run on it. This option will remove all pivot groupings from the original deduplication job and create new groupings based on the universe of Documents associated with that Federal Register or Other type Document

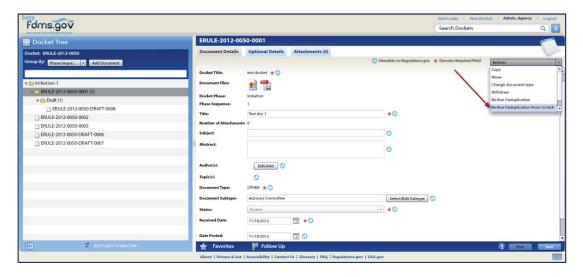


Figure 12 - Re-Run Deduplication from Scratch

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Deduplication Tree Enhancements

- Added a Search Bar to provide users with the ability to Filter Duplicates by ID
- Added ability to Post Documents from the Deduplication Details tab
- Added a legend to inform users of the significance of the textual markups in the Deduplication Details
- Users can kick off a batch process from the *Duplicates Tree* (as noted previously)

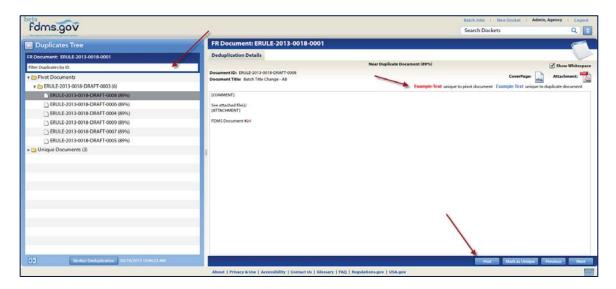


Figure 13 - De-Duplication Tree Enhancements

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Full-Text Searching

- Full-Text Searching can be performed via the Quick Search bar
 - The capability will be enabled by default for a Document Search
 - By typing a word or phrase, the system will search both the metadata as well as the content file for a document. (Note: This does not search metadata and text of the Documents to Attachments in this version)
 - o Ability to incorporate AND/OR operators; by default the system will assume AND
 - o Adding quotations to the beginning and end will search for a specific phrase
 - Option to select additional criteria via the Search Options beneath the search bar

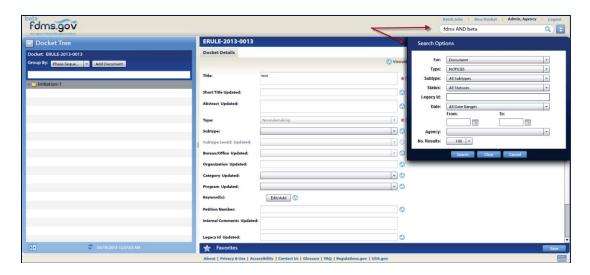


Figure 14 – Full-Text Searching Capability

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Phase-Sequence Functionality

- Phase-Sequence functionality was incorporated into this release
- The Phase-Sequence options can be accessed via the Actions drop-down on the Docket Details tab
- Users will now have the ability to:
 - Add new phase-sequence
 - Set the current phase-sequence
 - Change a phase-sequence
 - o Delete a phase-sequence

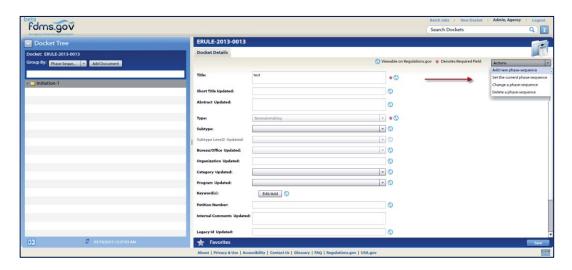


Figure 13 - Phase-Sequence Functionality

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Defects Addressed

- Unsaved data pop-up screen did not display for attachment in case of copy/move
- Docket Tree out of sync with phase-sequence list
- Docket generic field made read only after Docket creation since the value in this field is used in the Docket ID

Known Issues in this Release

- Users may experience performance issues while opening large Dockets
- Date Received view on Docket Tree shows counts for each time period rather than a cumulative count

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